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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Bernhard NIESWANDT ) Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
Application No.: Not yet assigned ) Examiner: Not yet assigned  
Filed: January 22, 2002 )  
For: MEDICAMENT FOR THE )  
PROTECTION AGAINST )  
THROMBOTIC DISEASES )

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 27, please delete line 5 and insert the following:

**Brief Description of the Drawings**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute pending claims 1-8 and 10-13 with amended claims 1-8 and  
10-13 as follows:

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